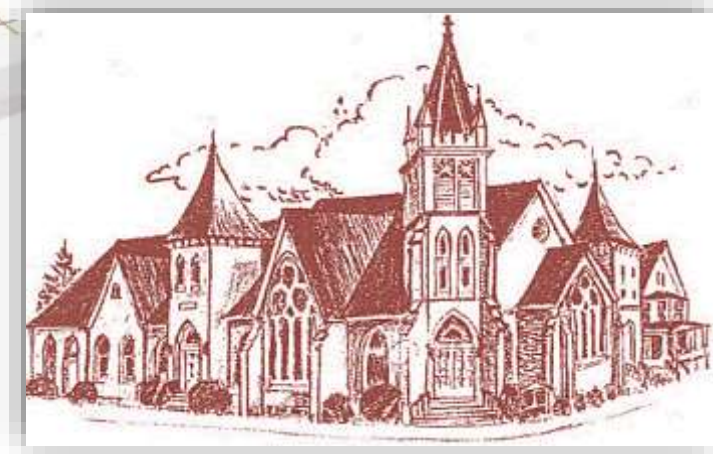


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# THE MESSIAH HERALD



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# "Growing God's Love"

## The Messiah Herald



### THE PASTORS PONDERINGS

Dear Messiah Family,

May the blessings of God the Creator, Jesus Christ our Lord, and The Holy Spirit be with you all!

I have seen a number of Bible translations and have been blessed to explore a few of them. The scripture readings each Sunday are from the New Revised Standard Version which is used by the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. Below are several translations of 1 Samuel 24, verses 10-11(a). Each of these are from Bibles that we have here at Messiah.

- **American Standard Version:** <sup>10</sup> Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that Jehovah had delivered thee to-day into my hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee; but *mine* eye spared thee; and I said, I will not put forth my hand against my lord; for he is Jehovah's anointed. <sup>11</sup> Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand; for in that I cut off the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not,
- **English Standard Version:** <sup>10</sup> Behold, this day your eyes have seen how the Lord gave you today into my hand in the cave. And some told me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, 'I will not put out my hand against my lord, for he is the Lord's anointed.' <sup>11</sup> See, my father, see the corner of your robe in my hand. For by the fact that I cut off the corner of your robe and did not kill you,
- **New International Version:** <sup>10</sup> This day you have seen with your own eyes how the Lord delivered you into my hands in the cave. Some urged me to kill you, but I spared you; I said, 'I will not lay my hand on my lord, because he is the Lord's anointed.' <sup>11</sup> See, my father, look at this piece of your robe in my hand! I cut off the corner of your robe but did not kill you.
- **New Revised Standard Version:** <sup>10</sup> This very day your eyes have seen how the Lord gave you into my hand in the cave; and some urged me to kill you, but I spared you. I said, 'I will not raise my hand against my lord; for he is the Lord's anointed.' <sup>11</sup> See, my father, see the corner of your cloak in my hand; for by the fact that I cut off the corner of your cloak, and did not kill you,
- **Good News Bible:** <sup>10</sup> You can see for yourself that just now in the cave the Lord put you in my power. Some of my men told me to kill you, but I felt sorry for you and said that I would not harm you in the least, because you are the one whom the Lord chose to be king. <sup>11</sup> Look, my father, look at the piece of your robe I am holding! I could have killed you, but instead I only cut this off. This should convince you that I have no thought of rebelling against you or of harming you.
- **The King James Version:** <sup>10</sup> Behold, this day thine eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to day into mine hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee: but mine eye

spared thee; and I said, I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he is the LORD's anointed. <sup>11</sup> Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that I cut off the skirt of thy robe, and killed thee not,

- **New Century Version:** <sup>10</sup> You have seen something with your own eyes today. The Lord put you in my power in the cave. They said I should kill you, but I was merciful. I said, 'I won't harm my master, because he is the Lord's appointed king.' <sup>11</sup> My father, look at this piece of your robe in my hand! I cut off the corner of your robe, but I didn't kill you. Now understand and know I am not planning any evil against you.

In this passage, Saul feels threatened by David has been pursuing him in order to kill him. Even though Saul is delivered into David's hands, he does not harm Saul. The Bible lesson is that David's refusal to attack Saul isn't based on strategic or even moral grounds. It is based on the profound respect that David has for Yahweh – the fear of the Lord. God, David reasons, has put Saul into the kingship. For David, rebellion against Saul is tantamount to rebellion against the Lord himself who has anointed Saul. Take time to read through 1Samuel, chapters 24 through 28 to learn more about this time in David's life.

You might be asking, "If the translation that I use personally is NOT in this list, should I go out and buy a Bible that is in this list?" **Absolutely NOT!** Truly wonderful is the fact that you have a preferred Bible which you read and study regularly! Reading and studying God's Word guides us always.

May we at Messiah resolve to follow the words and will of Christ our Savior. May we continue to serve others in need during times of grief, sickness, loneliness, and struggles. May we remain steadfast in our faith and in the Love of Jesus as we bring to others consolation, attention, happiness, and the peace that passes worldly understanding. Share the message of hope with others around you.

May the Lord be with you all!

*Pastor Sam Leister*

## **A THANKSGIVING PRAYER**

*Loving Lord, as we pause to celebrate Thanksgiving, I lift my voice in gratitude for all You are and all You've done. Thank You for the gift of life, for the beauty of this world, and for the love that surrounds us. I'm grateful for the food on our table, the roof over our heads, and the opportunities that lie before us. For health and strength, for friends and family, and for the freedom to worship You, I give thanks. In times of plenty and in times of need, Your faithfulness remains constant. May this spirit of thanksgiving not be confined to a single day, but permeate every moment of our lives, reminding us of Your endless grace and goodness. **AMEN.***

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING

The Victims of Hurricanes Helene & Milton	Kim Dumais Freda Durio Cathy Dysinger	Annie Ingle Guy Kerstetter Jesse Kint	Jennifer Smith Joyce & Todd Spangler Donna Stoner
The Family of Jay F. Auker Joedy Arnold Linda Bahorik Melissa Bargo Jeremy Barnes Ryan Barr Donna Barton Tony Beward Bill Book Linda Brouse Jim Burdge Andrea Cameron Evitt Campbell Terry Coder Kenton Cohenour Heather Compton Fred & Dot Dowling Seth Dowling	Renee Dzikowski Rev. Jodi Ellis Kevin Fetterhoof Neil & Pat Fisher Bentley Fulkroad Terri Gayer Deb Geedey Sheree Goss Amanda Gregg Fred Gross Hannah Hart Mark Harvey Bill Heck John (Pat) Henry Nox Hepburn Judy Hosler Nancy Howell Terry Imes	Carlen McClure Alice McClure Andi McDanel Cecilia Miller Curt Miller Larry Miller Shirley Miller Claire Mummah Linda (Kerchner) Parks Kari Ann (Reagen) Petrine Cheryl Pinkerton Betty Ranck Keith Ranck Dave Reed Diane Rowles Greysley Rowles Kelley Rusenko Arlene Shearer	Barry Strawser Vicki Suoja Molly Ulsh George Varner Kristi Wagner & Family Heather Walton Roscoe Warner Kathy Whitesel Mary Jane Williamson Jim & Heidi Woltman Gary Zeiders Paul Zeiders George Zimmerman Jean Zimmerman Linda Zimmerman

## AND FOR OUR SHUT INS

BROOKLINE RETIREMENT VILLAGE  
(92 VILLAGE DRIVE, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059)  
Jane Marhefka

HONNEMAN HOUSE  
(58 HONNEMAN HOUSE DR, THOMPSONTOWN, PA 17094)  
Ruth Cisney                      Ray Bramm  
(Apt. #112)                      (Apt. #108)

WILLIAM PENN HEALTHCARE AND REHAB CENTER  
(163 SUMMIT DRIVE, LEWISTOWN, PA 17044)  
Ona Stoner

AT HOME  
Edith Nipple  
1482 William Penn Hwy.  
Mifflintown, PA 17059

## PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

If you wish to be included on the email recipient list for the Messiah Prayer Chain, please send an email to Pastor Leister at [mlcsleister@gmail.com](mailto:mlcsleister@gmail.com). Also, if anyone has any needs or concerns, please contact Pastor Sam Leister. If you or someone you know is ill or hospitalized, please let Pastor Leister know as well. He can be reached at 717-436-8589 (home), or 717-348-1020 (cell), or email at [mlcsleister@gmail.com](mailto:mlcsleister@gmail.com).



## UPCOMING SERVANTS

### ALTAR GUILD

**October 21 to November 10**

.....Jenn Hutchinson & Tammy Brackbill

**November 11 to November 24**

..... Diana Wise & Cynthia Smith

### MANNA MAKERS

**November 3** ..... Jenn Hutchinson

**November 17** ..... Tammy Brackbill

**November 24** ..... Barb Geedey

### LECTORS

**November 3** ..... Julia Martin

**November 10** ..... Beward Family

**November 17** ..... Tawny Mummah

**November 24** ..... Diana Wise

### ACOLYTES

**November 3** ..... Carter Ehrisman & Grace Miller

**November 10** ..... Ella Harris & Sofia Reed

**November 17** ..... Grace & Evan Miller

**November 24** .Thea Beward & Hannah Ehrisman

### COMMUNION/OFFERING PRESENTERS

**November 3** .....Silas Smith, Nick & Gabby Reed

**November 10**

..... Gabby and Stella Reed & Hope Miller

**November 17**

...Braedon Walton, Zeb Berry, & Carter Ehrisman

**November 24**

..... Olivia Mummah, Brea Beward, & Evan Miller

### FLOWERS

**November 3** ..... Pines & Stoner Families

**November 10** ..... Miller Family

**November 17** ..... OPEN

**November 24** ..... Tammy Brackbill

### OFFERING COUNTERS

**November 3** ..... Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward

**November 10** ..... Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss

**November 17** ..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm

**November 24** ..... Don & Barb Geedey

## STORE GIFT CARDS

Weis and Giant gift cards are available to purchase from the Disciples Class. This is a particularly important outreach ministry that helps neighbors in need in our own community. We thank each and every one for continued support of this very worthwhile project.

## CHRIST IN OUR HOME

A reminder to anyone who would like a daily devotional to jump start their day. There are plenty of devotionals in "Christ in our Home," which can be picked up in the church office or in the Adult Sunday School Room and are FREE!

## THANK YOU!

Our thanks to "The Needlers" for sewing all of the lovely quilts you saw on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> and for decorating the chancel and nave with those quilts. Those quilts were then donated by "The Needlers" as their Blanket Sunday offering. Blankets/quilts, school kits, and personal care kits were taken to Faith Lutheran Church in Lewisburg, PA on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup>. The quilts will be sent from Lewisburg to Lutheran World Relief and also given to Messiah members who are currently in nursing homes. The "homemade" covers on the altar and lecterns were made by Carole Nace and will be on display and used through November's weekly services.

## CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday** – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Thursday** – 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Friday** – 12:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

# JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY NOVEMBER UPDATE



Dear Friends, here we are careening through the calendar towards Thanksgiving. Our stockpile of Thanksgiving and Christmas foods is growing steadily, but we are still in need of certain items to be used to pack 350 or more Thanksgiving boxes for local families by our distribution date. We would be so grateful for your help.

In September we assisted 235+ families (640+ individuals). Many thanks to Trinity United Methodist Church for providing volunteers for September.

## **HOLIDAY MEAL DONATIONS-ITEMS STILL NEEDED:**

Turkeys (around 12 lbs.) or turkey breasts; whole chickens, hams (3-5 lbs.); boxed brownie or cookie mix, boxed stuffing, turkey gravy, and instant potatoes; **OR A \$20 DONATION WILL PURCHASE ONE COMPLETE MEAL!**

PO Box 44, 114 N. Main St, Mifflintown, PA 17059  
Phone: 717-436-9718      Hours: Tue 9-12 and 1-5, and Sat 9-12

\*PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO THE **JUNIATA COUNTY FOOD PANTRY.**  
(CONTACT PERSON: GLENDA FULTZ). Email: [jcfp122017@gmail.com](mailto:jcfp122017@gmail.com)  
WEBSITE: [www.jcfoodpantry.com](http://www.jcfoodpantry.com)

**Our vestibule is open 24 hours a day to receive donations. Cash, checks, or gift cards may be deposited in the vestibule's mail slot. \*Non-perishable foods and non-food items may be dropped off at any time in our vestibule. Please deliver perishable foods only when someone is here to receive them. Thank you!**

## **MISSION OF THE MONTH**

November's "Mission of the Month" at Messiah will go towards the Juniata County Veterans. The monies will be sent from Messiah directly to the Juniata County Veteran's Committee so they may continue to serve those

whose lives have been turned upside down these disasters. In addition to your generosity, the PPC allocated funds to match congregational donations up to \$1,000.00. This is just one way in which we can continue to extend our mission in Christ's love beyond the walls of our church building.



# DAILY BIBLE READINGS AND PRAYER FOCUS

NOVEMBER 1 ----- JOHN 11:32-44  
*THANKS FOR GOOD MEMORIES OF LOVED ONES WHO HAVE DIED*

NOVEMBER 2 -----PSALM 119:1-8  
*RESPECT AND APPRECIATION FOR PEOPLE WITH  
INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES*

NOVEMBER 3 ----- MARK12:28-34  
*FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS AND CLIENTS*

NOVEMBER 4 ----- DEUTERONOMY 6:10-15  
*STORYTELLERS*

NOVEMBER 5 ----- ACTS 7:17-29  
*TRUTH-TELLERS*

NOVEMBER 6 ----- JOHN 13:31-35  
*THOSE WHO FEEL UNLOVED*

NOVEMBER 7 ----- 1 KINGS 17:8-16  
*ELCA WORLD HUNGER MINISTRY*

NOVEMBER 8 -----PSALM 146  
*THOSE WHO FEEL BOWED DOWN TODAY*

NOVEMBER 9 ----- HEBREWS 9:24-28  
*GRANDPARENTS AND GRANDCHILDREN*

NOVEMBER 10----- MARK 12:38-44  
*THOSE LIVING WITH DEPRESSION*

NOVEMBER 11----- RUTH 1:1-22  
*REFUGEES, MIGRANTS, AND DISPLACED PEOPLE*

NOVEMBER 12----- PSALM 94  
*ACTIVISTS AND ADVOCATES FOR JUSTICE*

NOVEMBER 13----- LUKE 4:16-30  
*CONGREGATIONS NAVIGATING POLITICAL CONFLICTS*

NOVEMBER 14----- DANIEL 12:1-3  
*PEOPLE GRIEVING THE DEATH OF A LOVED ONE*

NOVEMBER 15----- PSALM 16  
*CONGREGATIONAL CALL COMMITTEES*

NOVEMBER 16----- HEBREWS 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25  
*SYNOD AND CHURCHWIDE NETWORKS*

NOVEMBER 17----- MARK 13:1-8  
*PEOPLE OBSESSED WITH WORRY ABOUT THE END TIMES*

NOVEMBER 18 -----PSALM 13  
*PRAYER MINISTERS AND MINISTRIES*

NOVEMBER 19 ----- HEBREWS 10:32-39  
*THOSE WITH ADDICTION, CHRONIC PAIN, OR PERSISTENT ILLNESS*

NOVEMBER 20 ----- MARK 13:9-23  
*ELECTED LEADERS*

NOVEMBER 21 ----- DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14  
*PEOPLE WHO ARE PERSECUTED OR IN EXILE*

NOVEMBER 22 -----PSALM 93  
*LUTHERAN DISASTER RESPONSE EFFORTS*

NOVEMBER 23 ----- REVELATION 1:4B-8  
*TEACHERS OF CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER AND MEDITATION*

NOVEMBER 24 ----- JOHN 18:33-37  
*THAT LEADERS WILL EXERCISE JUSTICE*

NOVEMBER 25 -----PSALM 76  
*STUDENTS BULLIED BY THEIR CLASSMATES*

NOVEMBER 26 -----REVELATION 11:15-19  
*GLOBAL REFUGE (FORMERLY LUTHERAN IMMIGRATION &  
REFUGEE SERVICE)*

NOVEMBER 27 ----- JOHN 16:25-33  
*THE ELCA SUMUD (FORMERLY PEACE NOT WALLS) CAMPAIGN*

NOVEMBER 28 -----MATTHEW 6:25-33  
*ELCA TRUTH AND HEALING MOVEMENT*

NOVEMBER 29 ----- PSALM 25:1-10  
*NEUROSCIENTISTS STUDYING THE BRAIN*

NOVEMBER 30 -----JOHN 1:35-42  
*ELCA GLOBAL MISSION PERSONNEL*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

**NOVEMBER 11** – Gino Ace Kerlin

**NOVEMBER 15** – Zac Smith

**NOVEMBER 17** – Jacob White & Livia Arentz

**NOVEMBER 29** – Ruth Cisney



## Messiah's December Advent Season and Christmas Events

**PLEASE INVITE OTHERS TO JOIN US AS WE PREPARE OURSELVES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE COMING OF THE CHRIST CHILD!**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>:** First Sunday of Advent, followed by a light luncheon (prepared by the Fellowship Committee). Decoration of the church will be held after the service and luncheon. **ALL HANDS-ON DECK ARE NEEDED!**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>:** Second Sunday of Advent. “**Hanging of the Greens**” program will be held during the morning worship service. The topic of this year’s program will be **Chrismons**.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>:** Third Sunday of Advent. Community Christmas Cantata, “A New and Glorious Morn” at 2:00 PM at St. Stephen’s Lutheran Church.

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>:** Fourth Sunday of Advent. The worship service will include the annual **Christmas Program**

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>:** **CANDLELIGHT AND COMMUNION CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE** will begin with a **Prelude Service at 7:00 PM**, featuring our in-house musicians, Bob St. Clair and Stone Smith. **The Candlelight/ Communion service will begin at 7:30 PM** and will include the singing of Carols and special anthems by both soloists and the senior choir.

# Veterans Day

Honoring All Who Served





# NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 2:** **DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS!** TURN CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR BEFORE GOING TO BED, AS WELL AS CHECK YOUR FIRE/CO2 DETECTORS!  
-8:00 AM TO 3:00 PM – QUILTER’S GUILD IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3:** **ALL SAINTS SUNDAY**  
-10:00 AM – WORSHIP AND COMMUNION
- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4:** -6:30 PM – THE KNITTERS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM  
-7:00 PM -- AA IN DISCIPLE’S CLASS AREA
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5:** -10:30 AM – BIBLE STUDY IN JR. CHURCH ROOM
- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6:** -9:00 AM – “THE NEEDLERS” IN FELLOWSHIP HALL  
-7:00 PM – CHOIR REHEARSAL IN THE SANCTUARY
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10:** **THANKOFFERING SUNDAY**  
-10:00 AM – WORSHIP AND COMMUNION
- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11:** **VETERAN’S DAY HOLIDAY**  
-6:30 PM – THE KNITTERS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM  
-7:00 PM -- AA IN DISCIPLE’S CLASS AREA
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12:** -10:30 AM – BIBLE STUDY IN JR. CHURCH ROOM
- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13:** -9:00 AM – “THE NEEDLERS” IN FELLOWSHIP HALL  
-7:00 PM – CHOIR REHEARSAL IN THE SANCTUARY
- THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14:** -1:00 PM – WELCA MEETING IN YOUTH AREA  
PASTOR SAM OUT OF TOWN UNTIL NOVEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17:** -10:00 AM – WORSHIP AND COMMUNION
- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18:** -6:30 PM – THE KNITTERS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM  
-7:00 PM -- AA IN DISCIPLE’S CLASS AREA
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19:** -10:30 AM – BIBLE STUDY IN JR. CHURCH ROOM
- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20:** -9:00 AM – “THE NEEDLERS” IN FELLOWSHIP HALL  
-7:00 PM – CHOIR REHEARSAL IN THE SANCTUARY
- SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24:** **CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**  
-10:00 AM – WORSHIP AND COMMUNION  
-AFTER WORSHIP – VOTER’S ASSEMBLY
- MONDAY, NOVEMBER 25:** -6:30 PM – THE KNITTERS IN JUNIOR CHURCH ROOM  
-7:00 PM -- AA IN DISCIPLE’S CLASS AREA
- TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26:** -10:30 AM – BIBLE STUDY IN JR. CHURCH ROOM
- WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27:** -9:00 AM – “THE NEEDLERS” IN FELLOWSHIP HALL
- THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28:** **HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!**
- FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29:** **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

**SUNDAYS in 2024    COLLECTION COUNTERS**

NOVEMBER 3.....Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  
NOVEMBER 10.....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  
NOVEMBER 17..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm  
NOVEMBER 24..... Don & Barb Geedeey  

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DECEMBER 1 ..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
DECEMBER 8 ..... Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  
DECEMBER 15 .....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  
DECEMBER 22 .....Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  
DECEMBER 24 (CHR. EVE)..... Slone Smith & Clint Miller  
DECEMBER 29 ..... Slone Smith & Mary Grimm

**2025**

JANUARY 5.....Don & Barb Geedeey  
JANUARY 12.....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  
JANUARY 19..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
JANUARY 26..... Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  

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FEBRUARY 2..... Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  
FEBRUARY 9..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm  
FEBRUARY 16.....Don & Barb Geedeey  
FEBRUARY 23.....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  

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MARCH 2..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
MARCH 9..... Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  
MARCH 16..... Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  
MARCH 23..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm  
MARCH 30.....Don & Barb Geedeey  

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APRIL 6 .....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  
APRIL 13 ..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
APRIL 20 ..... Slone Smith & Nick Beward  
APRIL 27 ..... Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  

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MAY 4..... Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  
MAY 11 ..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm  
MAY 18.....Don & Barb Geedeey

MAY 25 .....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  

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JUNE 1 ..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
JUNE 8 .....Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  
JUNE 15..... Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  
JUNE 22..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm  
JUNE 29..... Slone Smith & Barb Geedeey  

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JULY 6 .....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  
JULY 13 .....Slone Smith & Christie Yorks  
JULY 20 .....Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  
JULY 27 .....Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  

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AUGUST 3 ..... Slone Smith & Mary Grimm  
AUGUST 10 ..... Don & Barb Geedeey  
AUGUST 17 .....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  
AUGUST 24 ..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
AUGUST 31 .....Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  

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SEPTEMBER 7 ..... Marylou Hazard & Jean Berry  
SEPTEMBER 14 ..... Clint Miller & Mary Grimm  
SEPTEMBER 21 ..... Don & Barb Geedeey  
SEPTEMBER 28 .....Cynthia Smith & Larry Goss  

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OCTOBER 5 ..... Ron & Christie Yorks  
OCTOBER 12 ..... Tammy Brackbill & Nick Beward  
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WELCA met on Thursday, October 10, 2024 at 1:00.

Because Barbara and Cindy were the only 2 who were able to attend the meeting they decided to forego the business as there was nothing that needed to be addressed at this time.

They completed all of the baby kits except 1 because they need two more shirts that have been purchased. The baby kits were packed as well as all of the school kits. These kits will go with the quilts on Thursday to Lewisburg. The final numbers will be reported in next Sunday's bulletin.

Barb closed the meeting with devotions from Breakfast With God entitled "Enjoying the Scenery" and a prayer.

Our next meeting will be November 14 at 1:00.

## ANNUAL THANKOFFERING SERVICE

The Women of the ELCA Thankoffering Service will be held on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup> and the speaker will be Abby Yorks. A light lunch will be provided following the service with several meats and beverages provided. We are asking those who will be attending to bring a covered dish for a "buffet." We are also asking for donations of any of the following items (tuna, salmon, chicken, etc.), canned tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, or men's deodorant and disposable razors. These items can be placed in the wash tub located in the Adult Sunday School Room.

## THANK YOU!

To my friends and Church family here at Messiah – a great big THANK YOU for all that was

## CHRISTMAS ANGEL PROJECT

The Women of the ELCA will once again be sponsoring six children for the Christmas Angel Project. The sign-up chart for the gifts that are needed is on the bulletin board in the Kitchenette. Gifts are due at the church by **December 2<sup>nd</sup> at Noon**, wrapped or bagged with a name tag that includes the child's name and number on the tag.

## AREA AGENCIES PREPARE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Again this year, the Food Pantry will join forces with the Boy Scouts, Kiwanis, and YOU to bring Thanksgiving and Christmas meals to as many Juniata County families living in poverty as possible. When the Boy Scouts come to your door in November for their annual food drive—please give generously. If you can help us to start stockpiling the following foods for the holidays, we would really appreciate it. Our goal is to provide 800 meals: 400 for Thanksgiving and 400 for Christmas.

done this past Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, for the recognition of my 25 years as an ALWL.....the surprise was on me. I thought the table was set up because Bishop Miller was here. But it was for both of us. The light refreshments were great. The cake was yummy! It has been an honor to serve the Upper Susquehanna Synod as an ALWL and a lay leader before that. Thank you Pastor Sam for being you. I think you had a say in this. Blessings to all.....*ANDREA CAMERON*

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We want to thank the Compassionate Care Committee for their thoughtfulness. We really enjoyed your visit and the food was delicious! A special thanks to the ladies who knitted the lovely coaster. Thanks again for thinking of us. *-WARREN & CLAIRE MUMMAH*



# JUNIATA VALLEY INTERNATIONAL GIFTS & BAKE SALE

The Juniata Valley International Gifts & Bake Sale will be held at Cedar Grove Brethren In Christ Church at 287 Deerville Road, Mifflintown, PA on Thursday, November 14 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Friday, November 15 from 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, November 16 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you would like more information, please check out our website at [www.juniatainternationalgiftssale.com](http://www.juniatainternationalgiftssale.com).



## YOUTH FUNDRAISER "A"

There will be a youth fundraiser with Harshbarger's of Mifflintown for the Summer Youth Mission Trip in 2025. The fundraiser will be held on **Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**. Just show this ticket (above) and a portion of the sale will be donated to our youth.

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(See Matthew 14:14-21)

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HONESTLY JESUS, YOU GIVE ME 5 PIES  
AND 2 TURKEYS AND EXPECT ME TO COOK  
FOR THE 5,000 GUESTS YOU'VE  
INVITED?!?



## YOUTH FUNDRAISER "B"

Yet another fundraiser is ongoing for the youth who will be attending the South Dakota work trip in 2025. This fundraiser is with Marianna's Pizzas and Subs. If you would like to order a delicious hoagie or pizza, please see Cindy VanGavree or any youth member. Orders are due by Friday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. Delivery of hoagies and pizzas will be on Tuesday, November 19<sup>th</sup>.

*Thanksgiving is nothing if not a glad and reverent lifting of the heart to God in honor and praise for His goodness.*

# Messiah Lutheran Church Poinsettia and/or Lutheran Disaster Response Order Form



In keeping with Messiah Lutheran Church tradition, poinsettias may now be purchased for our services this holiday season in honor or memory of loved ones. They will be used to beautify our altar area to help us celebrate the holiday season. We are again including this year another way to honor or to remember loved ones by making a donation in their name to the Lutheran Disaster Response effort. In the wake of this year's many natural disasters and because of those still suffering around our nation and world, we are again adding this worthwhile opportunity for those who may not usually consider purchasing a poinsettia.

Please complete the order form below and attach a **check for either type (payment or donation)**, made payable to **"Messiah Lutheran Church"** and print **Poinsettias or Lutheran Disaster Response** in the memo line. Attach the check to the order form and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office by **Friday, December 13, 2024 at 5:00 PM. PAYMENT OR DONATION MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR ORDER!!**

Thank you for helping to beautify our space, and/or supporting Lutheran Disaster Response!

Please note, that if you are making a donation for the disaster response effort, our Treasurer will keep track of all money received for that cause and write one check at the end of the Christmas season from our church to the Lutheran Disaster Response and also enclose a listing of those who were honored or remembered. As in the past, a full listing of either a Poinsettia or a Donation (will not include the amount of the donation) with those persons honored or remembered will be listed in the bulletin for Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> and on Christmas Eve.

**Flowers may be picked up anytime following our Christmas Day Service.**

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## Poinsettia/Lutheran Disaster Response Order Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

LIST THE DEDICATION AS FOLLOWS:

Please check one: In Honor Of ( ) or In Memory Of ( )

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**I would like to order and/or donate as follows:**

6" Poinsettia (4 to 5 blooms) \$9.00 each: # of plants \_\_\_\_\_ x \$9.00 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Donation to Lutheran Disaster Response in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

# ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

On All Saints Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, we remember, with thanksgiving, all of the people of God, living and dead, who form the mystical body of Christ. All believers in Christ who have been made holy, (sanctified) by the blood of Christ, are saints. We especially honor those of the congregation who have gone on to the other side of eternal life since last All Saints Sunday. They

are: Esther Henry, Ellwood Miller, Richard VanGavree, Ron Shearer, Richard Smith, Dorothy Zeiders, Edith Nipple, Dorothy Towsey, and Stephen Bahorik. A white carnation has been placed on the cross in the front of the church in memory of each of these people. Family members may come forward after the service and take a carnation placed in memory of their loved one. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord, yea, says the Spirit that they may rest from their labors."

## REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

**EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.  
ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A  
FOOD BANK.**

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - peanut butter
- December 3 - stuffing mix
- December 4 - boxed potatoes
- December 5 - macaroni and cheese
- December 6 - canned fruit
- December 7 - canned tomatoes
- December 8 - canned tuna
- December 9 - dessert mix
- December 10 - jar of applesauce
- December 11 - canned sweet potatoes
- December 12 - cranberry sauce
- December 13 - canned beans
- December 14 - box of crackers
- December 15 - package of rice
- December 16 - package of oatmeal
- December 17 - package pasta
- December 18 - spaghetti sauce
- December 19 - chicken noodle soup
- December 20 - tomato soup
- December 21 - can corn
- December 22 - can mixed vegetables
- December 23 - can carrots
- December 24 - can green beans

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# Thanksgiving Day

## Word Search

**DIRECTIONS:**  
Find and circle the  
vocabulary words  
in the grid. Look  
for them in all  
directions including  
backwards and  
diagonally.

COLONY  
CORNUCOPIA  
CRANBERRIES  
FALL  
FAMILY  
FEAST  
GOBBLE  
GRATITUDE  
GRAVY  
HARVEST  
HOLIDAY  
MAIZE  
MAYFLOWER  
MILES STANDISH  
NEW WORLD  
NOVEMBER  
PILGRIMS  
PLYMOUTH  
PUMPKIN PIE  
PURITANS  
SQUASH  
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THURSDAY  
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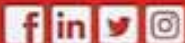
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